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Comments: Old-growth forests are irreplaceable. Thank you for starting a process I hope will end with meaningful protections for existing old-growth and mature forests across the U.S. We should not be selling old-growth trees on public lands, period. Old-growth forests provide unique and irreplaceable characteristics completely different from younger forests. Many animals have evolved to rely partly or entirely on old-growth. Old-growth is without equal at storing and filtering water, providing top-quality recreation, and sequesters far more carbon than younger forests. These are all free services provided by old-growth forests. Please protect them and help protect our planet for future generations.